1 McGREGOR W. SCOTT United States Attorney FILED 2 ANNE NORRIS GRAHAM 3 REX K. LEE Trial Attorneys, Tax Division 4 U.S. Department of Justice Post Office Box 7238 5 Ben Franklin Station DOGED Washington, D.C. 20044 Telephone: (202) 353-4384 6 JUL 23 2003 616-3448 7 Facsimile: (202) 514-6770 Attorneys for the Unite 145 (148) DISTRICT COURS 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 SACRAMENTO DIVISION 10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 11 Civil No. 03-1532 FCD GGII 12 Plaintiff, proposed Preliminary Injunction 13 ٧. 14 WALTER THOMPSON, a/k/a AL THOMPSON, d/b/a 15 CENCAL SALES COMPANY, d/b/a CENCAL AVIATION PRODUCTS, 16 Descendant. 17 Upon motion by plaintiff, the United States of America, the Court makes the following 18 findings of fact and conclusions of law and enters this preliminary injunction: 19 Standards for Preliminary Injunction 20 In order to obtain a preliminary injunction under Section 7402(a) of the Internal Revenue 21 22 Code (I.R.C.), 26 U.S.C., the United States must show that an injunction is necessary or appropriate for the enforcement of the internal revenue laws. Alternatively, this Court will issue 23

## Findings of Fact

a preliminary injunction upon a showing of either (1) a combination of probable success on the

merits and the possibility of irreparable harm, or (2) that serious questions are raised and the

Based on the evidence and the parties' arguments, the Court finds as follows:

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balance of hardship tips in its favor.

- 1. Defendant Walter Thompson, also known as Al Thompson, doing business as Cencal Sales Co. and Cencal Aviation Products ("Cencal"), employs approximately 25 people and pays them wages and other compensation.
- 2. Thompson is failing to withhold federal employment taxes from employee wages, to make federal employment tax deposits, to file his employment and unemployment tax returns, and to file and issue wage and tax statements (IRS Forms W-2). He bases his refusal to meet these legal obligations on a patently frivolous interpretation of the internal revenue laws, known as the § 861 argument, that posits that income earned from sources within the United States is not subject to taxation.
- 3. Thompson's conduct has cost the United States as of June 30, 2003, an estimated \$429,399.73, with additional harm accruing at more than \$31,000 in federal income and Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) taxes per quarter and \$21,000 in Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA) taxes per year. His mounting employment tax liabilities will be unrecoverable if they surpass his ability to pay.

## Conclusions of Law

The Court finds that Thompson is interfering with the administration of the internal revenue laws. He is violating I.R.C. §§ 3102, 3111, 3301, 3402, 6011, and 6041. The United States is likely to succeed on the merits in this case and will suffer irreparable harm if Thompson is not enjoined now. Accordingly, the Court finds that a preliminary injunction under I.R.C. § 7402(a) is necessary and appropriate for the enforcement of the internal revenue laws.

## Security

The United States is not required to give security for an injunction under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(c).

## Order

A. The Court ORDERS that Thompson is enjoined from violating I.R.C. §§ 3102, 3111, 3301, 3402, 6011, 6041.

- B. Further, the Court ORDERS that Thompson (individually and doing business as Cencal Sales Co. or Cencal Aviation Products or under any other name or using any other entity), and his representatives, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with him, are enjoined from failing to withhold and pay over to the IRS all employment taxes, including federal income, FICA, and FUTA taxes, required by law.
- C. Further, the Court ORDERS that Thompson file timely employment tax returns, including Forms 940 and 941, with the IRS, and file timely Forms W-2 with the Social Security Administration (SSA) and send copies of such returns and Forms W-2 to counsel for the United States at the same time that he files the originals.
- D. Further, the Court ORDERS that, effective immediately, within three days of each Cencal payroll Thompson make employment tax deposits with his bank and send by fax to IRS Revenue Officer Paul Enjalran at (707) 642-8938, a receipt for each employment tax deposit and a completed worksheet in the form attached hereto.
- E. Further, the Court ORDERS that Thompson amend and correct his Form 941 for the third quarter of 2000, file a complete and accurate Form 941 for the first and second quarters of 2003, and pay the taxes and interest lawfully owing within 30 days of the entry of this Order.
- F. Further, the Court ORDERS that Thompson file with the SSA and issue to his employees amended Forms W-2 for 2000 and accurate Forms W-2 for 2001 through 2002 within 30 days of the entry of this Order and send copies of these Forms W-2 to counsel for the United States at the same time that he files the originals.
- G. Further, the Court ORDERS that within ten days of the date of this Order Thompson deliver to all of his current employees, and any former employees employed at any time since July 1, 2000, a copy of this Court's findings and preliminary injunction. Thompson shall bear all expenses associated with this mailing. He must file a sworn certificate of compliance, swearing that he has complied with this portion of the Order, within twelve days of the date of this Order.
- H. Further, the Court ORDERS that within ten days of the date of this Order Thompson post and keep posted in one or more conspicuous places on his business premises where notices

to employees are customarily posted, a copy of this Court's findings and preliminary injunction. Thompson shall bear all expenses associated with this posting. Thompson must file a sworn certificate of compliance, swearing that he has complied with this portion of the Order, within twelve days of the date of this Order.

SO ORDERED this 12 day of Johnson, 2007

United States District Judge

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2	via Facsimile		
3	IRS Revenue Officer Paul Enjalran Fax: (707) 642-8938  FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT TAX DEPOSIT VERIFICATION  CENCAL SALES CO.		
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13	7. Total of lines 4, 5, and 6:		\$
4	8. Deposit dated (rece	sipt attached) for:	\$
15	I, Walter Thompson, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing information is true and accurate.		
6	information is true and accurate.		
.7	Signature: WALTER THOMPSON	Date:	
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